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A Unique Opportunity for Ham Radio Operators & Great National PR for Berwick!

In cooperation, the Town of Berwick and BEARS have permanently installed a 55' MA550 US Tower equipped with a Cushcraft A3S antenna at Southwest Reef Lighthouse Park. The tower was donated to the town by the family of Ray Rasberry, WB5LKR-SK. It has been dedicated to his memory and his many contributions to the Town of Berwick. The antenna was donated by Councilman Raymond Price.

This set-up is available for use by ANY visiting amateur radio operator! Just BYOR - bring your own radio (and a table)! The permanent installation includes the tower with tri-bander antenna, and the coax and rotor are secured in a Pelican box in the nearby pavilion. There are instructions on the box for any visitors listing contact numbers to provide instructions for access to the equipment box. It's a lovely spot to operate under the pavilion with electricity, ceiling fans, and swings, right on the Atchafalaya River in Berwick Lighthouse Park.

BEARS (Bayouland Emergency Amateur Radio Service) and the Town of Berwick are pleased to be able to provide this unique opportunity to all hams!



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DATES TO REMEMBER

GENERAL MEETING

February 04, 2021 @ 7:00 PM
1300 Bertrand Drive

Lafayette, LA
<http://www/w5ddl.org/clubsuite/>

Local 2-Meter Nets

Monday
AARA Monday Night Net 7:00 PM
147.040 PL 103.5 +0.600 Lafayette, LA

Tuesday
Region 4 SkyWarn Net 7:00 PM
145.370 - PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA

Wednesday
Silent Key Memorial Net 6:30 PM
146.820 PL 103.5 New Iberia, LA

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January 2021



Started the year off with a bang. 4 in for testing & 4 out with a 'csce'. Two Techs.; Dean Simon ~ KI5MYM~ of Lafayette & Mark J. Dupuis Jr. ~ KI5NGT ~of St. Martinsville. Terrell P. Lemoine ~K15ST~ of Rayne will be a General. Dennis C. Bienvenu ~N7PIN~ of Casper Wyoming upgraded to Amateur Extra.

The VEs un attendance were: Greg ~K5LFT, Michael ~KI5ARX & Dave ~ N4ELM.

TNX to the VEs & congratulations to the new Hams & the upgrades.



73, de Greg ~ K5LFT

2021 Winter Field Day

January 30, 2021

The AARA will be participating in this years 2021 Winter Field Day event. This 24 hour event will be held nationwide the weekend of January 30 - 31. However, club activities are planned only for Saturday January 30th at the farm of Steve (AF5VR) and Mel Webre in Church Point, LA.

Everyone is encouraged to participate in the club activities on Saturday as well as from their own station anytime during the 24 hour event. Additional details on the event can be found at [2021 Winter Field Day](#) and 2021 Winter Field Day Flyer or by contacting Chris Ancelet N5MCY at 337-591-8871

2021 – W5L Louisiana Purchase Special Event

Posted on [2021-01-08](#)

The Northeast Louisiana Amateur Radio Club is pleased to announce that we are again sponsoring the W5L Louisiana Purchase Special Event. The on-the-air special event begins on 4/17/2021 @ 0000 UTC and ends on 4/24/2021 @ 2359 UTC.

This year the event commemorates the 218th anniversary of the Louisiana Purchase. NELARC invites all hams in Louisiana to participate as a W5L operator from home, mobile and portable stations.

Full details online at: <http://nelarc.org/2021-W5L/>



ARRL on the Purpose of Amateur Radio

For over 100 years amateur radio and ARRL — the National Association for Amateur Radio® — have stood for the development of the science and art of communications, public service, and the enhancement of international goodwill. Amateur Radio's long history and service to the public has solidified the well-earned reputation that "Amateur Radio saves lives."

Amateur Radio Operators, due to their history of public service, their training, and the requirement that they be licensed by the FCC have earned their status as a component of critical communications infrastructure and as a reliable resource "when all else fails."

Amateur Radio is about development of communications and responsible public service. Its misuse is inconsistent with its history of service and its statutory charter. ARRL does not support its misuse for purposes inconsistent with these values and purposes.

ARRL Learning Network Webinars

Visit the [ARRL Learning Network](#) (a members-only benefit) to register, check on upcoming webinars, and view previously recorded sessions. The schedule is subject to change.

Easy Helical Copper Tape and PVC 2-Meter Vertical Antenna: John Portune, W6NBC

Learn how to quickly build a tiny, 18-inch continuously loaded lightweight portable or base station 2-meter omnidirectional vertical with performance and efficiency comparable to a 5-foot J-pole. All you need is some hardware-store copper tape and PVC pipe, and the cost is roughly \$10. It's an easy afternoon's homebrew project, ideal for the new ham but equal to the experienced ham's needs. It is great for events like bike-a-thons. It also makes an excellent ham radio club hands-on building project, and the design is adaptable to other bands.

Tuesday February 2, 2021 @ 1 PM EST (1800 UTC)

Interesting Stories About Ham Radio & Weather Spotting: Rob Macedo, KD1CY

One of the most critical ways amateur radio supports agencies such as the National Weather Service (NWS), National Hurricane Center, and emergency management is through weather spotting via the NWS SKYWARN program. This presentation reviews some interesting stories about how amateurs involved in SKYWARN have saved lives and property and why this is an important amateur radio activity.

Thursday February 11, 2021 @ 8 PM EST (0100 UTC on Friday, February 12)

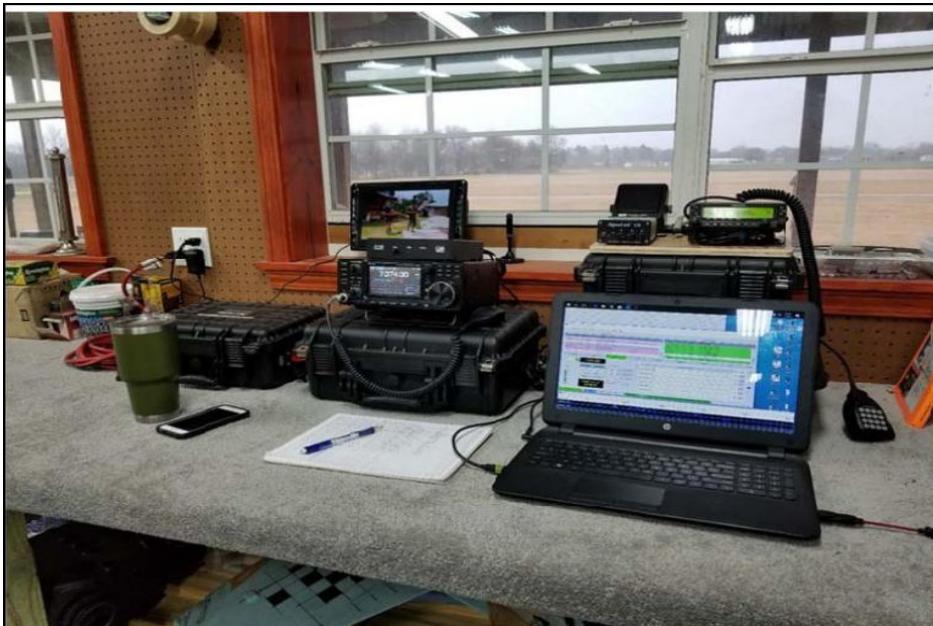
Maxim Memorial Station W1AW Tour: Joe Garcia, NJ1Q, W1AW Station Manager

Maxim Memorial Station W1AW, located in Newington, Connecticut, was established to honor the memory of ARRL's co-founder and first president, Hiram Percy Maxim. Although the first radio station of the ARRL was actually located in Hartford, Connecticut and active as W1MK, W1AW in Newington is known worldwide and considered the radio station most associated with Hiram Percy Maxim. Formally established in 1938 - nearly 2 years after the death of Hiram Percy Maxim - W1AW has consistently been on the air, save for the time when the station was ordered off the air by the FCC due to World War II. This guided tour will provide an inside look at W1AW and will be led by Station Manager Joe Garcia, NJ1Q.

Thursday February 18, 2021 @ 3:30 PM EST (2030 UTC)

Talking to Astronauts: An Elementary School's Exciting ARISS Experience: Diane Warner, KE8HLD

This is a story about Tallmadge Elementary School's participation in a once-in-a-lifetime ARISS (Amateur Radio on the International Space Station) school contact. You'll learn about their amazing journey leading up to the amateur radio contact with an astronaut on the International Space Station. The excitement of the entire experience was shared not just by the students, but included faculty, parents, the community, and local amateur radio operators. You will also learn how to begin the process of submitting your own ARISS contact proposal.



JANUARY 30, 2021 WINTER FIELD DAY / NEW HAM DAY!

Winter Field Day is a dedicated group of Amateur Radio Operators who believe that emergency communications in a winter environment is just as important as the preparations and practice that is done each summer but with some additional unique operational concerns.



**Saturday January
30th, 2021**

Time: 0900–1600

Where:

AF5VR Farm

**1529 Beaugh St.,
Church Point, LA**

**Dedicated to the
development of
new hams and to
hone your skills.**

**Please join us for
a relaxed
educational
opportunity.**

What to bring:

Your Go-Kit

Chair

Food/Drinks



SILENT KEY Brenner Stuart Edward Waters WB5VJR

A Masonic Service will be held at 1:00 PM on Saturday, January 23, 2021, in the Azalea Parlor at Delhomme Funeral Home - Bertrand for Brenner Stuart Edward Waters, 84, who passed away on January 10, 2021.

Brenner was a veteran of the Army National Guard, a seaplane pilot, ham radio operator, and Freemason. He was an avid fisherman who enjoyed being on the board of directors of the Oilman's Bass Classic. He was a joy to all who knew him, with a "dad joke" for anyone who would listen, and will be missed by many.

Brenner, a former resident of Lafayette, Louisiana, and late of Picayune, Mississippi, was the son of the late John Waters and the former Jane Ross.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret Waters; two daughters, Elizabeth Waters (David Moser), and Amy Waters (Timothy Wilkerson); grandchildren, Maggie Gentile and Matthew Gentile; brothers, Michael J. E. Waters and Daniel R. E. Waters, and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Russell Charles Boe'.

FCC to Require Email Address with Applications and on File

Effective on June 29, 2021, amateur radio licensees and candidates must provide the FCC with an email address on all applications. If no email address is included, the FCC may dismiss the application as "defective." On September 16, the FCC adopted a Report and Order (R&O) in WT Docket 19-212 on "Completing the Transition to Electronic Filing, Licenses and Authorizations, and Correspondence in the Wireless Radio Services," which appeared on December 29 in the Federal Register. The FCC has already begun strongly encouraging applicants to provide an email address and will email a link to an official electronic copy of the license once it's granted.

While many, if not most, amateurs already have provided an email to the FCC, this also will become a requirement. Under Section 97.21 of the new rules, as amended, the holder of a valid amateur radio station license "must apply to the FCC for a modification of the license grant as necessary to show the correct mailing and email address, licensee name, club name, license trustee name, or license custodian name." For a club or military recreation station license, the application must be presented in document form to a club station call sign administrator who must submit the information to the FCC in an electronic batch file.

Under new Section 97.23, as amended, each license must show the grantee's correct name, mailing address, and email address. "The email address must be an address where the grantee can receive electronic correspondence," the revised rule will state. "Revocation of the station license or suspension of the operator license may result when correspondence from the FCC is returned as undeliverable because the grantee failed to provide the correct email address."

Licensees can log into the ULS License Manager System with their FRN and password to update their FCC license record, including adding an email address. For questions or password issues, call the CORES/FRN Help Line, (877) 480-3201 (Monday - Friday, 1300 - 2300 UTC) or [reset the password](#) on the FCC website. [Read more](#).

Local 2-Meter Nets**MONDAY**

*AARA Monday Night Net 8:00 PM
147.040 +0.600 PL 103.50
W6EXI repeater*

WEDNESDAY

*Silent Key Memorial Net 6:30 PM
146.820 PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA*

**TUESDAY**

*Region 4 Skywarn Net 7:00 PM
145.370 PL 103.5 Lafayette, LA*

THURSDAY

*Rag Chew Net 8:00 PM
433 Lafayette, LA*

AARA Monday Night 2 Meter Net

Net Controllers will rotate each week and held on the 146.820 W5DDL Repeater only.

The AARA Monday Night Net will be held at 8:00 PM on **147.040 +0.600 PL 103.50**
W6EXI repeater

The February 2021 schedule can be downloaded and printed in Adobe Acrobat .PDF from the club website. [Net Schedules](#)

REGION 4 SKYWARN NET

Each Tuesday night at 7:00 PM (local), the Region 4 Skywarn Net will take place on the 145.370 Skywarn Repeater in Lafayette, LA. Net Control Operators will alternate each week.

In case the 145.370 repeater fails, the net will be held on the 146.820 W5DDL repeater PL Tone 103.5.

The February 2021 schedule can be found at this link: [Net Schedules](#)

When using the Skywarn 145.370 repeater, be sure to use the receiver PL tone for your area as follows:

NW Quadrant 114.8 - NE Quadrant 127.3 – SW Quadrant 141.3 – SE Quadrant 94.8 – Central 103.5

See our website for additional information: <http://www.w5ddl.org/repeaters.htm>



Some members failed to put their birthdays on their applications for renewal / membership causing names to be missing from the list.

Don't forget to renew your membership by January 31st.

02-03	<i>N5NVP</i>	<i>Jim</i>
02-04	<i>KB5WI</i>	<i>Weston</i>
02-04	<i>KA5QME</i>	<i>Ann</i>
02-04	<i>WA5TAQ</i>	<i>Glynn</i>
02-15	<i>K5ZRA</i>	<i>Greg</i>
02-16	<i>KD5NVC</i>	<i>Glenn</i>
02-18	<i>AF5VR</i>	<i>Steve</i>
02-20	<i>KG5SIS</i>	<i>Cheryl</i>
02-24	<i>KD5JSM</i>	<i>Danny</i>
02-25	<i>KI5IHY</i>	<i>Kisha</i>
02-27	<i>W5RZY</i>	<i>Rose</i>
03-12	<i>KM6WSY</i>	<i>Mary</i>
03-13	<i>K5NCA</i>	<i>Bill</i>
03-16	<i>KK6EWB</i>	<i>Ingo</i>
03-16	<i>KIIZAR</i>	<i>Tanya</i>

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*Share the Fun ~
Bring a Friend
to be a HAM.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Winter Field Day	January 30, 2021	9:00 AM to 4:00 PM in Church Point, LA ~~~ See flyer on Page 5 this issue ~~~
VE Testing	February 4, 2021	6:00 PM @1300 Bertrand Drive Lafayette, LA
General Meeting	February 4, 2021	7:00 PM @1300 Bertrand Drive Lafayette, LA

For any additional information, check the W5DDL.org website

CHICKEN (BOY SCOUT STYLE)

4 Medium, skinless, boneless, chicken breasts
8 Baby carrots 2 Medium onions, quartered (8 pieces)
8 Stalks of celery, cut into 16 pieces
2 Medium bell peppers, cut into 8 pieces
Lemon pepper Garlic powder (granulated)
Kosher salt Aluminum foil
Non-stick spray

Pre-heat oven to 375°F or prepare charcoal grill or gas grill.

Season the chicken with the lemon pepper, garlic powder, and salt.

On four large pieces of foil, sprayed with non-stick spray, place the following, for each breast: a) 4 pieces of celery, b) top with the chicken, c) place 2 pieces of onion on top, d) place 2 baby carrots on top, and e) place 2 pieces of bell pepper on top. Crimp the foil on top and then the ends.

Place in the oven for 1 hour, or the grill until done.

FCC Information Service

Toll Free (WATS) for Amateur Radio license inquiries about new/vanity call signs: 1-888-225-5322 This will connect you to the FCC National Call Center, handled by the FCC's Consumer Information Bureau. Amateurs having ULS problems or questions should contact the FCC's ULS Technical Support staff at: 202-414-1250 or:

ulscomm@fcc.gov.

FCC Website:

<http://wireless.fcc.gov/uls/>

New call sign information can also be obtained from the ARRL/VEC at 860-594-3000.

<http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec>

The mailing address to the FCC is:

*Federal Communications Commission,
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554*